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Education

Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Doctorate of Philosophy: A.B.D.
Program: Applied Psychology

University of Texas at San Antonio
Master of Science in Psychology: December, 1998
Emphasis: Experimental Methodology & Statistics
Thesis: Effects of restitution on sentencing and satisfaction ratings: Predictions from Equity Theory

University of Texas at San Antonio
Bachelor of Arts: August, 1995
Major: Psychology; Support: Communications

Faculty Positions

Lecturer I

Department of Psychology

University of Texas San Antonio

June 2017-Current (#students):

Summer 2017: Relationships (42)

Fall 2017: Statistics for Psychology (20); Developmental (32); Social (60)

Spring 2018: Statistics for Psychology (56); Abnormal Online (148); Experimental Projects and Lab (23);
Social Cognition (63)

Fall 2018: Statistics for Psychology (37); Abnormal (40); Social Cognition (58)

Spring 2019: Motivation and Emotion (47); Relationships x2 (54, 27); Social Cognition (59)

Assistant Professor/Research Coordinator

Physician Assistant Program in the SIU School of Medicine

Southern Illinois University Carbondale

June, 2009-August 2017: Responsibilities include teaching (applied research methodology, interpreting statistics, and the fundamentals of Evidence-Based Medicine), tutoring (in Problem-Based Learning groups), chairing Student Progress Committee, managing Master's Projects (Evidence-Based Medicine Co-Chair on all Master's Projects (2010-2016 = 287 students), overseeing course, and coordinating tri-annual Master's Project Symposiums), facilitating Program faculty research (by contributing to study design, database construction, data entry, data cleaning, data analysis, analysis interpretation, and manuscript/presentation preparation), and conducting independent research.

Shawnee Community College – Humanities Division (Temporary)

Spring 2017: Adjunct. Social Psychology. 6 students

Southeastern Illinois College – Department of Social Science, Business & Education (Temporary)

Fall 2010: Adjunct. Introduction to Psychology. ~35 students.

University of Texas at San Antonio – Department of Psychology (Part-time; 20 hours/week)

Spring 2003 – Summer 2004 & Spring 2001 – Summer 2001: Lecturer 1. Experimental Psychology Lab. 20 students per lab.

Spring 2001: Lecturer 1. Introduction to Psychology. 130 students.

Northwest Vista Community College (Member of Alamo Community College District) (Part-time; 20 hours/week)

Spring 2001 – Summer 2001: Adjunct Faculty. Introduction to Psychology. 25 students. & Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences. 15 Students.

Graduate Student Teaching Experience

Southern Illinois University – Department of Psychology (Part-time; 20 hours/week)

Summer 2008: Teaching Assistant. Advanced Industrial and Organizational Psychology. 45 students.

Spring 2008: Teaching Assistant. Experimental Design and Analysis. 18 graduate students.

Fall 2006 & Fall 2007: Lecturer. Advanced Social Psychology: Intimate Relationships. 40 students

Spring 2007: Lecturer. Field Research Methods in Psychology. 80 students. Supervised a teaching assistant.

Fall 2005 – Summer 2006: Teaching Assistant. Field Research Methods in Psychology Lab. 80 students; Two 40 person labs.

Spring 2005: Guest Lecturer (4 weeks). Psychopathology. 120 students.

University of Texas at San Antonio – Department of Psychology (Part-time; 20 hours/week)

Summer 1996 – Spring 1999: Teaching Associate. Experimental Psychology Lab. 20 students per lab.

Recent Professional Experience

Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Graduate Assistant for Physician Assistant Program (Part-time; 20 hours/week)

September 2008 – May 2009

Facilitate in the preparation of scholarly manuscripts by conducting literature searches, securing resources, and participating in the writing and editing process. Provide study design, assessment development, data management, data analysis, and manuscript writing advice to students completing the PA Program Master's Project requirements. Facilitate in the drafting and data presentation of the PA Program's annual program evaluation.

Applied Research Consultants (ARC)

Associate (Part-time; 20 hours/week)

August 2004 – Spring 2007

ARC is a practicum requirement for the Applied Psychology Program. ARC provides a practicum experience that is unique to Southern Illinois University Carbondale Applied Psychology students. ARC is a not-for-profit organization run by graduate students and supervised by an Applied Psychology faculty member. ARC Associates are working for actual clients and competing with regular evaluation practitioners for contracts. Although directed by a faculty member, ARC Associates are responsible for all client interactions, project designs, data collection services, analysis services, and report generation.

Client – Brehm Preparatory School, Carbondale, IL

Position – Project Leader (4 team members); Report Author

Project Scope – Create a manual to facilitate the organization's movement towards incorporating systematic research within their current educational system.

Client – SSDN, St. Louis, MO

Position – Project Leader (3 team members); Primary Report Author

Project Scope – Provide evaluation of organizational growth and individual programs' service efficiency and efficacy. Provide needs assessment for organization's data management in order to allow organization to eventually start conducting research within their care programs.

Client – State Universities Retirement System via Dr. Jane Angelis of Southern Illinois University

Position – Project Leader (3 team members); Primary Survey Developer

Project Scope – Survey development for volunteer behavior assessment.

Client – School of Law, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Position – Project Leader (1 team member); Primary Analyst, Primary Report Compiler

Project Scope – Conduct annual survey of School of Law's exiting students.

Additional project experience as a project associate available upon request.

University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Statistician & Database Manager for Division of Schizophrenia and Related Disorders in Department of Psychiatry (Full-time; 40+ hours/week)

August 2001 - August 2004

Provide statistical support to all project investigators. Consult with project investigators on design and protocol efficacy. Contribute to the editing and writing of grants, protocols, posters and manuscripts. Act as liaison between project investigators and database development team. Oversee database construction and maintenance for multiple studies and measures.

University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Social Science Research Associate IV for Division of Alcohol and Drug Addiction in Department of Psychiatry (Full-time; 40+ hours/week)

July 2000 - March 2001

Provide statistical support to project statistician and investigators. Act as in-house editor for manuscripts, study protocols, and grants. Assist in the creation of standard operating procedures, research protocols and work equity surveys. Project Coordinator for multi-site safety trial for opiate dependence treatment. As coordinator: manage and edit raw data for over 100 patients from 5 sites in San Antonio and 2 in Dallas.

Publications

DiCocco, M., & Borneman, M. J. (2011). When a contract is not enough. In D. L. Anderson (Ed.), *Cases and exercises in organization development and change*. (pp. 141-158). Los Angeles, CA: Sage.

Kelly, C., Davis, J., & **DiCocco, M.** (2011). Assessing the current status of tobacco dependence education curricula in US Physician Assistant Programs. *Journal of Physician Assistant Education*, 22(3), 4-14

Velligan, D. I., Mueller, J., Wang, M., **DiCocco, M.**, Diamond, P., Maples, N., & Davis, B. (2006). Use of environmental supports among patients with schizophrenia. *Psychiatric Services*, 57(2), 219-224.

Velligan D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, Bow-Thomas, C.C., Cadle, C., Glahn, D. C., Miller, A., Biggs, M., Shores-Wilson, K., McKenzie, C. A., & Crimson, M. L. (2004). Brief Cognitive Assessment (BCA) for use with schizophrenia in community clinics. *Schizophrenia Research*, 71(2-3), 273-283.

Velligan D. I., Ritch, J. L., Sui, D., **DiCocco, M.**, & Huntzinger, C. D. (2002). Frontal systems behavior scale in schizophrenia: Relationships with psychiatric symptomatology, cognition, and adaptive function. *Psychiatry Research*, 113(3), 227-236.

Presentations and Meetings

Caslow, N., Johnson, M., **DiCocco, M.** (2016). Pheochromocytoma: A case study of atypical presentation and surgical complications. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Antonio, TX.

Fiedler, A., Micenheimer, E., **DiCocco, M.** (2016). Hereditary hemochromatosis: A clinical case of iron overload. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Antonio, TX.

Walker, C., Ryznyk, L., **DiCocco, M.** (2016). A case of an abnormal headache. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Antonio, TX.

Wise, M., Diemer, D., **DiCocco, M.** (2016). Abdominal pain with a twist: A case of cecal volvulus. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Antonio, TX.

Arbelaez, A., Diemer, D., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). Ovarian mucinous cystadenoma in a post-menopausal female. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.

Baxter, W., Ryznyk, L., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). More than constipation: A toddler with Currarino Syndrome. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.

- Fella, C., Kelly, C., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). Hereditary chronic pancreatitis: A rare, but devastating childhood disease. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Hindman, A., Kelly, C., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). Neuroleptic malignant syndrome: A tragic case of thermoregulation failure. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Hoyle, S., Micenheimer, E., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). Distorted perceptions: A severe case of anorexia nervosa. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Phelps, R., Kelly, C., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). Post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis plus diabetic nephropathy: A catastrophic combination. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Smith, H., Kelly, C., **DiCocco, M.** (2015). Syndrome of inappropriate anti-diuretic hormone production caused by multiple factors. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Sreniawski, M., Diemer, D., **DiCocco, M.** (2014). A rare case of small bowel obstruction complicated by an undescended testis. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. Boston, MA.
- Zuber, S., Ryznyk, L., **DiCocco, M.** (2014). Buried penis – An unidentified congenital anomaly leads to an unexpected complication. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. Boston, MA.
- Haug, K., Diemer, D., **DiCocco, M.** (2013). Geriatrics and steroids: A powerful drug in an already compromised population. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. Washington, DC.
- Knapp, E., Micenheimer, E., **DiCocco, M.** (2013). Human Papillomavirus: The 21st century plague? Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. Washington, DC.
- Williams, K., Kelly, C., **DiCocco, M.** (2013). Tailoring breast cancer therapies based on patient demographics and Oncotype profiles. Poster presented at American Association of Physician Assistants, Annual Conference. Washington, DC.
- DiCocco, M.**, Edwards, J., Levine, M., Wheeler, A., Marshall, S., & Sagrestano, L. (2006). It started with an audit: Recommendations from South Side Day Nursery (SSDN) program evaluation. Poster presented at American Evaluation Association Annual Conference. Portland, OR.
- Nadler, J., **DiCocco, M.**, Eubanks, A., & Sagrestano, L. (2006). Southern Illinois University at Carbondale (SIUC) Applied Psychology Program alumni: Outcomes of training in program evaluation. Roundtable Presentation at American Evaluation Association Annual Conference. Portland, OR.
- Seneca, P., **DiCocco, M.**, Dicken, V., Hitzke, T., & Sagrestano, L. (2006). Evaluating rejections: Reasons behind acceptance decisions of students admitted into Southern Illinois University's School of Law. Poster presented at American Evaluation Association Annual Conference. Portland, OR.
- DiCocco, M.** (2005). Applied Research Consultants: Relationships and roles. Presentation for Panel Session at American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, Toronto, Ontario.

- Wheeler, A. M., Dawson-Owens, H. L., **DiCocco, M.**, & Hitzke, T. (2005). Balancing cost with coverage: Innovations that may aid in providing evaluation to those who cannot afford it. Paper presented at American Evaluation Association Annual Conference. Toronto, Ontario.
- Baird, R. R., & **DiCocco, M.** (2004). Crime victims are less likely to conform to Equity Theory in sentencing. Poster presented at American Psychological Society 16th Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.
- Lam, Y. F., Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, Ereshefsky, L., Maples, N., Castillo, D., Archuleta, D., & Korell, S. (2003). Comparative assessment of antipsychotic adherence by concentration monitoring, pill count and self-report. Poster presented at the International Congress on Schizophrenia Research. Colorado Springs, CO.
- Maples, N. J., Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, Castillo, D.A., Lam, Y. W., Ereshefsky, L., Korell, S., Archuleta, D., & Miller, A. L. (2003). Has medication adherence improved with the new-generation atypical antipsychotics? Poster presented at the International Congress on Schizophrenia Research. Colorado Springs, CO.
- Ritch, J. L., Velligan, D. I., Tucker, D., **DiCocco, M.**, & Maples, N.J. (2003). Prospective memory in schizophrenia. Poster presented at the International Congress on Schizophrenia Research. Colorado Springs, CO.
- Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, Castillo, D. A., Maples, N. L., Lam, Y. W., Ereshefsky, L., & Miller, A.L. (2003). Obstacles in assessing adherence to oral antipsychotic medications. International Congress on Schizophrenia Research. Colorado Springs, CO.
- Cadle, C. D., Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M. A.**, Bow-Thomas, C. C., & Miller, A. L. (2002). The reliability and validity of a brief cognitive assessment. Poster presented at the 11th Biennial Winter Workshop on Schizophrenia, Davos, Switzerland.
- Korell, S. C., Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, & Mann, T. A. (2002). Assertive community treatment versus cognitive adaptation training: A cost comparison. Poster presented at the 11th Biennial Winter Workshop on Schizophrenia, Davos, Switzerland.
- Mueller, J., Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, Ritch, J., & Maples, N. (2002). Quetiapine improves verbal memory in patients with schizophrenia. Poster presented at the 42nd Annual NCDEU Meeting. Boca Raton, FL.
- Ritch, J. L, Velligan, D. I., **DiCocco, M.**, Prihoda, T. J., Mann, T. A., & Miller, A. L. (2002). The efficacy of cognitive adaptation training versus assertive community treatment for improving functional outcomes. Poster presented at the 11th Biennial Winter Workshop on Schizophrenia, Davos, Switzerland.
- DiCocco, M.**, & Baird, R. R. (1999). Equity Theory predicts society's and victim's satisfaction with criminal restitution. Poster presented at American Psychological Society 11th Annual Conference. Denver, CO.